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DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES OFFICE OF SECRETARY

Louisiana Natural & Scenic River System SCENIC RIVER PERMIT #915

Issue/Effective Date:

March 17, 2015

Scenic River:

Bayou Manchac

Recipient:

Daniel Heard

19050 Perkins Road East Baton Rouge, LA 70810

Description:

Construction of Pedestrian/Equestrian Bridge

This permit is issued by authority of Part II of Chapter 8, Title 56 of the LRS of 1950 as amended and reenacted regarding the Louisiana Natural & Scenic Rivers System and the administrative procedures pertaining to the management of these watercourses designated as Scenic Rivers.

The permit is issued by the Administrator with the understanding that the recipient in implementation of the proposal will proceed in compliance with, and not significantly deviate from the provisions contained in the petition for the permit and any special conditions attached hereto. The permit holder is expected to minimize adverse impacts to the structural and functional integrity of the natural systems and aesthetics associated with the Scenic River where the activity is occurring so as to preserve the fundamental character and purpose for which the System was established.

The Administrator assumes no responsibility for or incurs no liability for any injury to persons or property caused by any act of the permit holder or his agent in the permission granted by this permit. In addition to the Department of Wildlife & Fisheries, the petition was given a full and thorough evaluation by the Louisiana Departments of Agriculture & Forestry; Culture, Recreation & Tourism; Environmental Quality; and the Office of State Planning and Budget. If during the review process objections were made to the proposed activity, those objections were either found to be insignificant or they have been included in the conditions of the permit.

This permit shall expire if the permitted activity has not begun within 18 months of the "Issue Date" indicated above.

Compliance with these conditions is necessary for this permit to be valid:

- 1) Authorization issued under the authority of this permit may not be transferred to another party without giving prior notice to the Scenic Rivers Program Coordinator.
- 2) The permittee shall inspect the bridge at sufficient intervals (possibly after moderate to heavy rainfall events) to ensure it remains free of debris, litter and logjams. The permittee shall promptly, within 15 days, remove all debris, litter and logjams from the bridge.
- 3) The permittee shall allow field personnel of LDWF to make periodic inspections to ensure the proposed bridge is constructed and maintained in accordance with the conditions of this permit.
- 4) All structures built under the authorization and conditions of this permit shall be removed from the site upon abandonment of the facilities for the herein permitted use, or when these structures fall into a state of disrepair such that they can no longer function as intended. This condition does not preclude the necessity for revising the current permit or obtaining a separate Scenic Rivers Permit, should one be required, for such removal activities.
- All other applicable permits not contingent upon this permit from governmental entities will be acquired and their conditions implemented with fidelity.
- 6) If during project implementation, any sensitive archaeological, biological or botanical element is encountered, activity will temporarily cease and the permit holder will contact the Administrator to determine the disposition of that element or artifact.
- 7) This project must be carried out in a manner consistent with the design, including the revised engineering drawings dated March 11, 2015 (approved bridge design attached), which the applicant submitted during the permit process. Should significant physical modification to the project become necessary during implementation of the project or after its completion, the permit holder will submit a letter of explanation within one week of discovery to the Administrator to determine if another petition will be required.
- 8) Adequate erosion control measures shall be implemented at all times to insure that no sediments, pollutants, and/or construction related debris are allowed to enter Bayou Manchac, whether directly or indirectly, as a result of this construction.

If you need any additional information you may contact Mr. Kyle Balkum, Biologist Program Manager, in the Baton Rouge Office at (225) 765-2819.

Robert J. Barham Administrator

Attachment